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SUBJECT: NORTHERN IRELAND WHITE PAPER

THERE IS CONSIDERABLE SPECULATION HERE ABOUT WHEN GOVT. WILL ISSUE ITS WHITE PAPER ON NORTHERN IRELAND. AS FAR AS WE CAN DETERMINE, NO DECISION HAS BEEN TAKEN. FURTHER, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT DATE WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN ADVANCE BECAUSE OF OUTSIDE CHANCE THAT SOME OPPOSED GROUP MIGHT ATTEMPT VIOLENT PROTEST. AS WE HAVE NOTED EARLIER, HOWEVER, ORDERS IN COUNCIL EXTENDING PERIOD OF DIRECT RULE OVER NORTHERN IRELAND MUST BE BROUGHT INTO EFFECT BY END OF MARCH. IT IS ASSUMED THAT COMMONS WILL WANT OPPORTUNITY TO DEBATE THIS ISSUE IN LIGHT OF WHITE PAPER PROPOSALS. THEREFORE, BEST GUESS CONTINUES TO BE THAT WHITE PAPER WILL APPEAR IN NEXT TEN OR SO DAYS.

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